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SUBJECT: ARAB TERRORISTS DEPORTED FROM GREECE TO LIBYA

REF: ATHENS 2639

1. CHARGE ASKED GREEK AMBASSADOR PAPADAKIS IF HE HAD ANY INFO ON TWO ARAB TERRORISTS SINCE THEIR DEPORTATION FROM GREECE TO LIBYA MAY 5. HE HAD HEARD NOTHING AND WAS NOT EXPECTING TO BE INFORMED BY LIBYANS. THIS OF COURSE IS SENSITIVE SUBJECT FOR LATTER, AND LARG MEDIA HAS NOT REPORTED FACT TERRORISTS WERE DEPORTED TO LIBYA.

2. PAPADAKIS RECOUNTED FOLLOWING DEVELOPMENTS LEADING TO TERRORISTS' RELEASE. BETWEEN FIRST OF YEAR AND MARCH 8 HE WAS VISITED IN HIS OFFICE BY TWO MEN, IDENTIFIED ONLY AS PALESTINIANS, WHO SOUGHT RELEASE OF TWO TERRORISTS. EVENTUALLY THREE-CORNERED ARRANGEMENT WAS MADE INVOLVING UNIDENTIFIED PALESTINIAN GROUP, LARG AND GREEK GOVT.

3. PALESTINIANS OFFERED ASSURANCES THEY WOULD NOT IN FUTURE
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UNDERTAKE ACTIVITIES IN GREECE OR AGAINST GREEK CITIZENS AND

PROPERTY. GREEK GOVT WAS AGREEABLE TO RELEASE OF TERRORISTS,
BUT ONLY TO ARAB GOVT. LIBYA AND IRAQ WERE FOUND TO BE ONLY
TWO ARAB STATES WHICH DID NOT FLATLY REFUSE TO RECEIVE TERROR-
ISTS. LARG WAS RELUCTANT, BUT ACCEPTED THEM AFTER SOME URGING BY
GREEKS. IN THE END UNDERSTANDING AMONG THREE PARTIES WAS THAT
TWO TERRORISTS WOULD BE EITHER PUT ON TRIAL OR SIMPLY
IMPRISONED BY LARG OR BY PALESTINIAN GROUP OR GROUPS
CONCERNED.
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